

This election is made with traverse. As stated in the MPEP §803, if search and examination of an entire application can be made without serious burden, the examiner must examine it on the merits, even though it includes claims to independent or distinct inventions. It is Applicants' position that it would not be unduly burdensome to perform a search on claims 1-19 together. Accordingly, Applicants traverse the restriction requirement.

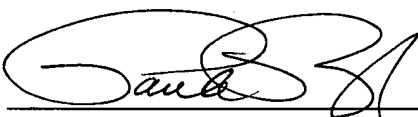
Applicants respectfully request rejoinder of at least Groups I and II. The Restriction Requirement indicates that the claims of Group I and Group II are all in the same class and subclass. Therefore, it would not be unduly burdensome to perform a search on at least the claims of Group I and Group II together. Accordingly, Applicants request rejoinder of at least Groups I and II.

II. CONCLUSION

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required by this paper, or to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 50-0815, order number UCAL222.

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